L. H. J. Hoping from your wise Management, and the People coming to See their own true Interest, that I shall very soon have better Accounts from you: I am, with sincere Regard, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

His Excellency Governor Sharpe.

Loudoun.

Ordered, That the Earl of Loudoun's Letter do lie on the Table.

Mr. John Reeder, a Delegate Elected at the last General Election for Saint Mary's County, appeared in the House:

Ordered, That Mr. Plater and Mr. Sothoron do go with him to the Upper House, to see him Qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, They saw him Qualified in the usual Manner.

The Gentleman took his Seat in the House:

Mr. Key, on his Motion, hath Leave to be absent until Saturday Morning.

Resolved, That the Rules ordered to be observed by the several Members of this House last Session, be observed as such during this Session.

Resolved, That the Hours of Sitting this Session, for the Dispatch of Public Business, be from Nine of the Clock in the Morning until One, and from Two of the Clock Afternoon until Five.

Ordered, That Mr. Goldsborough do acquaint the Reverend Mr. Clement Brooke, That he is requested to Read Divine Service at Three Quarters of an Hour past Eight of the Clock in the Morning, and at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, during this Session.

On Motion, Ordered, That the Governor's Speech be again Read; which was accordingly.

On Reading the Governor's Speech, Ordered, That Mr. Edward Dorsey, Col. Edward Tilghman, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, and Mr. Carroll, do prepare an Address to his Excellency, in Answer thereto.

The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.

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The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday, except Mr. Key. The Proceedings were Read.

Mr. Matthew Tilghman brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency the Governor: which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

The House continued the several Gentlemen who were on the Committee of Elections and Privileges last Session, on the said Committee for this Session.